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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated November 28, 2003, Applicants hereby elect the claims of Group I, claims 1-12, drawn to a method of anodizing a component.

Receipt of the initial Office Action on the merits is awaited.

Respectfully submitted,

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